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I believe that the current remedies are totally inadequate to protect the consumer.

I have thought for years that the monopolistic and predatory business practices of Microsoft required the splitting of the company into an OS company and an applications company. In that way, all application developers are on an equal footing...Microsoft vs independents. As we found out in 1983 with the break-up of AT&T, the development of telecommunications technology flourished.

Further remedies may be appropriate in this age of the internet and other future possibilities.

Above all, Microsoft must not be allowed to flood schools with software as part of this settlement. It would be tantamount to the government promoting the MS monopoly.

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